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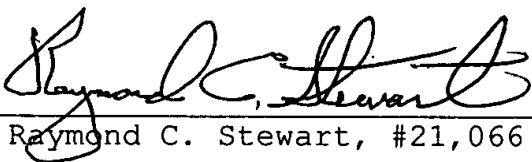
The claims have been amended to delete the improper multiple dependencies in order to place the application into better form prior to examination.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

The specification has been amended to provide cross-referencing to the International Application.

The claims have been amended as follows:

5. (Amended) A hybrid inflator according to [claim 3 or 4]claim 3, wherein the fuel is guanidine derivatives.

6. (Amended) A hybrid inflator according to [claim 3 or 4]claim 3, wherein the fuel is a non-azide organic compound except the nitramine compounds.

7. (Amended) A hybrid inflator according to [any one of claims 1 to 6]claim 1, wherein a pressure index of the gas generating agent is less than 0.8.

8. (Amended) A hybrid inflator according to [any one of claims 1 to 7]claim 1, wherein a weight ratio (a/b) between a weight (a) of the pressurized medium and a weight (b) of the gas generating means is set to 0.1 to 7.

13. (Amended) A hybrid inflator according to [claim 11 or 12] claim 11, wherein the fuel is guanidine derivative.

14. (Amended) A hybrid inflator according to [claim 11 or 12] claim 11, wherein the fuel is a non-azide organic compound except the nitramine compounds.

15. (Amended) A hybrid inflator according to [any one of claims 9 to 14] claim 9, wherein a pressure index of the gas generating agent is less than 0.8.

16. (Amended) A hybrid inflator according to [any one of claims 9 to 15] claim 9, wherein a weight ratio (a/b) between a weight (a) of the pressurized medium and a weight (b) of the gas generating means is set to 0.1 to 7.

20. (Amended) A hybrid inflator according to [any one of claims 1 to 19] claim 1, wherein the inflator housing is made of high strength steel.

22. (Amended) A hybrid inflator according to [any one of claims 1 to 21] claim 1, wherein the gas generating means is kept in a normal pressure atmosphere.

14. (Amended) A hybrid inflator according to [claim 11 or 12]
claim 11, wherein the fuel is a non-azide organic compound except
the nitramine compounds.

16. (Amended) A hybrid inflator according to [any one of claims 9 to 15]claim9, wherein a weight ratio (a/b) between a weight (a) of the pressurized medium and a weight (b) of the gas generating means is set to 0.1 to 7.

20. (Amended) A hybrid inflator according to [any one of claims 1 to 19]claim 1, wherein the inflator housing is made of high strength steel.

22. (Amended) A hybrid inflator according to[any one of claims 1 to 21]claim 1, wherein the gas generating means is kept in a normal pressure atmosphere.